



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
PATENT OPERATIONS

#3  
4-18403  
DS

Art Unit: 1774 (Examiner Dixon, Merrick L.)

Applicant: Douglas Duane Roth

Serial No: 09/930,515

Filed: August 15, 2001

Title: NONWOVEN BLEND WITH ELECTRIC FIBER

RECEIVED  
APR 23 2003  
GPO 700

Charlotte, North Carolina  
April 11, 2003

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

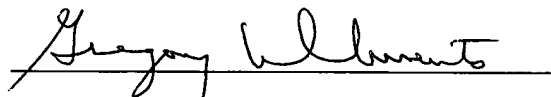
**AMENDMENT**

In response to the outstanding Restriction Requirement dated March 12, 2003, kindly consider the following response. The Examiner has issued a Restriction Requirement between Group I pertaining to Claims 1 – 16 drawn to a fiber blend and Group II directed to Claims 17 – 27 drawn to a web.

Applicant hereby elects Group I invention drawn to Claims 1 – 16 directed to a fiber blend.

It is submitted that the application in view of this response, is now in condition for substantive examination and such is earnestly requested.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Gregory N. Clements", is written over a horizontal line.

Gregory N. Clements  
Attorney for Applicant  
Registration No. 30,713  
DOUGHERTY, CLEMENTS & HOFER  
1901 Roxborough Road, Suite 300  
Charlotte, North Carolina 28211  
Telephone: (704) 366-6642  
Facsimile: (704) 366-9744

GNC/mh  
Attorney Docket 2001/07



1774

PTO/SB/21 (08-00)  
Approved for use through 10/31/2002. OMB 0651-0031  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office: U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.

<b>TRANSMITTAL FORM</b>  <i>(to be used for all correspondence after initial filing)</i>	<b>Application Number</b>	09/930,515	
	<b>Filing Date</b>	08/15/2001	
	<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Douglas Duane Roth	
	<b>Group Art Unit</b>	1774	
	<b>Examiner Name</b>	Merrick L. Dixon	
<b>Total Number of Pages in This Submission</b>	3	<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	2001/07

ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)		
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee Transmittal Form <input type="checkbox"/> Fee Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendment / Reply <input type="checkbox"/> After Final <input type="checkbox"/> Affidavits/declaration(s)  <input type="checkbox"/> Extension of Time Request  <input type="checkbox"/> Express Abandonment Request  <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statement  <input type="checkbox"/> Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts/ Incomplete Application  <input type="checkbox"/> Response to Missing Parts under 37 CFR 1.52 or 1.53	<input type="checkbox"/> Assignment Papers (for an Application) <input type="checkbox"/> Drawing(s) <input type="checkbox"/> Licensing-related Papers <input type="checkbox"/> Petition <input type="checkbox"/> Petition to Convert to a Provisional Application <input type="checkbox"/> Power of Attorney, Revocation Change of Correspondence Address <input type="checkbox"/> Terminal Disclaimer <input type="checkbox"/> Request for Refund <input type="checkbox"/> CD, Number of CD(s) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> After Allowance Communication to Group <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Board of Appeals and Interferences <input type="checkbox"/> Appeal Communication to Group (Appeal Notice, Brief, Reply Brief) <input type="checkbox"/> Proprietary Information <input type="checkbox"/> Status Letter <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Enclosure(s) (please identify below): Return Receipt Postcard
<b>Remarks</b> <div style="text-align: right;">APR 23 2003 GROUP 1774</div>		

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT	
Firm or Individual name	Gregory N. Clements DOUGHERTY, CLEMENTS & HOFER
Signature	
Date	04/11/2003

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING			
I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on this date: 4/11/2003			
Typed or printed name		Margaret Hieb	
Signature		Date	04/11/2003

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 0.2 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.